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RE: Nominees for Associate Probate Judge

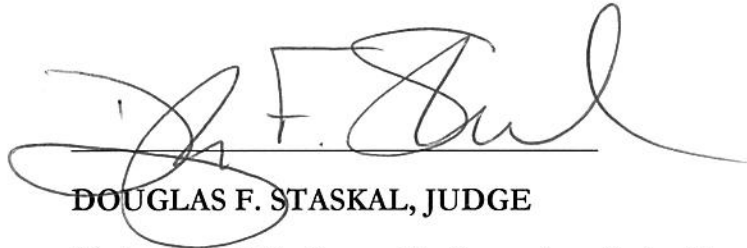
The Polk County Magistrate appointing commission has nominated the following three attorneys to fill the vacancy created by the impending retirement of Associate Probate Judge Ruth Klotz:

Craig E. Block

David M. Erickson

Thomas H. Tarbox

The three nominees were chosen from a group of five applicants. Judge Klotz' successor will be chosen from among the three nominees by the Judicial District 5C (Polk County) district court judges.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. F. Staskal', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

DOUGLAS F. STASKAL, JUDGE

Chairperson, Polk County Magistrate Appointing Commission